PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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DELPHINE ANH DAO LE et al.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2623
Application No.: 09/410,737)	
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Filed: October 1, 1999)	
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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for taking further action in the above-identified application for one additional month from February 17, 2004 to March 17, 2004.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$310.00, the difference between the already-paid \$110.00 first-month extension fee and the \$420.00 fee for a two-month extension, for the current extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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March 17, 2004

Date of Signature

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at

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